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DATE:

February 18, 2009

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Specialist

FROM:

A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS

Manager, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

Slim-Fast® Updates- Peanut Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION:

Peanut Recall; Due to Salmonella typhimurium; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone,

fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in the State of Indiana. The products were distributed nationwide. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Slim-Fast® Updates and Corrects Nationwide Recall Of Three Slim-Fast Bar Products with Peanuts

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE --February 17, 2009, Englewood Cliffs, NJ --- Slim-Fast® is recalling three Slim-Fast bar products because they may contain peanuts that are being recalled by Peanut Corporation of America (PCA). The PCA recall was ordered by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) on February 12, 2009, as a result of unsanitary conditions at the PCA Plainview, Texas, facility, which could have compromised the peanuts.

The announcement to this product recall has been updated to:

- Correct one UPC code involving the 6-bar version of Slim-Fast optima® caramel crispy peanut MEAL on-the-go® bars;
- Add another UPC for the same product in the 12-bar box size; and
- Add a UPC code for the same product sold in individual bars.

Products recalled include:



Product Name and Description: Slim-Fast optima® caramel crispy peanut MEAL on-the-go® bars – sold in paperboard boxes, **12** and **6** bars per box, 1.97 oz. (56 g) each with various best-if-used by dates. The UPC codes are located on the top of the 12-bar box and bottom of the 6-bar box; the individually wrapped bar UPC label is located next to "Nutrition Facts" on the back of the bar.

Product sold in 12 bars per box: (discontinued in September 2008):

UPC: **0834613690** – (12 bars per box) UPC: **0834603690** – INDIVIDUAL BAR

Product sold in 6 bars per box:

UPC: 0834603790 - (6 bars per box: this UPC code is corrected from the February 13, 2009 announcement)

UPC: 0834603690 - INDIVIDUAL BAR

Product Name and Description: Slim-Fast MEAL OPTIONS® Breakfast & Lunch Bars – Dutch Chocolate flavor – sold in paperboard boxes, 8 bars per box, 1.2 oz. (34 g) each various best-if-used by dates. The UPC code is located on the bottom of the box. UPC: **0834601520**

Product Name and Description: Slim-Fast MEAL OPTIONS® Breakfast & Lunch Bars – Peanut Butter flavor – sold in paperboard boxes, 8 bars per box, 1.2 oz. (34 g) each various best-if-used by dates. The UPC code is located on the bottom of the box. UPC: **0834601522**

The products were distributed nationwide.

Consumers who have any of the three affected Slim-Fast bar products are asked to discard them and call 1-877-270-7393, which is operational 24 hours a day, for information on the recall. In addition, a consumer services representative is available between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:30 PM EST.

No other Slim-Fast products – shakes or bars – are affected by this recall. Slim-Fast is a Unilever product.

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Photo: Product Labels

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